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1. In 1950 and 1951, it was observed from the southern edge of Sverdlovsk (5650 N/6037 E) that Douglas-type commercial aircraft took off and landed approximately in a southeasterly direction and crossed over the town heading toward the northwest or southeast. It was noticed that the take-off strip on the old airfield at the southern edge of Sverdlovsk was too short and that it was difficult for the twin-engine transports and commercial aircraft to become airborne. 25X1
2. In the beginning of 1952, twin-jet aircraft were observed for the first time over Sverdlovsk. They appeared very seldom at first but regularly since the summer of 1952. The aircraft approached in formations of 2 to 4 from the southeast, repeatedly flying at low level, crossed over the town while climbing to high altitudes, and then continued in horizontal flight. It could not be determined from which airfield the twin-jet aircraft took off and landed. Fellow PWs believed that they came from the field located southeast of Sverdlovsk. No special flight or combat practices were observed. The aircraft had swept-back wings and rudder assembly and an elevator assembly which was mounted high on the rudder. Two jet engines were fitted at the wings and vapor trails were observed when the aircraft flew at high altitudes.
3. During the spring of 1953, a U-11-28 was once observed crossing over the camp near the old airfield. Individual four-engine aircraft were occasionally seen crossing over Sverdlovsk at high altitudes.
4. Air force officers repeatedly picked up material in a fabric ply factory which was a subsidiary plant of the Rubber Factory RTJ. PWs believed that the air force officers were the crews of the twin-jet aircraft and belonged to the airfield southeast of Sverdlovsk because the field near the southern edge of the town did not house any air force personnel.
5. Local residents stated that male and female civilian workers who were familiar with engines received pre-military training in the field of gliding, parachuting and powered flying at the field south-southwest of Sverdlovsk.

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